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METHOD FOR OPERATING A STRIP
CASTING MACHINE FOR PRODUCING A
METAL STRIP AND DEVIE FOR CARRYING
OUT SAID METHOD

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